BEFORE THE
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268–0001

COMPETITIVE PRODUCTS PRICE CHANGES RATES OF GENERAL APPLICABILITY	Docket No. CP2014-5

**RESPONSES OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
TO CHAIRMAN'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 3**
(December 3, 2013)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides its responses to Chairman's Information Request No. 3, which was issued on November 27, 2013. Responses were due by December 3, 2013. Each question is reprinted verbatim and is followed by the Postal Service's response. Responses to Question 2 and Question 4 are forthcoming.

The Postal Service is filing the Excel sheet associated with the Postal Service's response to Question 5 under seal. A redacted, public version of that Excel sheet is included with this pleading. The Postal Service herein incorporates by reference its Application for Non-Public Treatment in this docket for the protection of the material filed under seal.

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1.   Governors' Decision 13-02, at page 4, indicates that in 2014 Premium Forwarding Service will feature a "new online enrollment option . . . available for $16.00." The Special Services workpapers provide prices for an "online" application fee for both FY 2013 and FY 2014, suggesting that the online enrollment option is currently being offered. Please explain the discrepancy.

RESPONSE:

The online option is not currently being offered. The Special Services workpapers

inadvertently included the fee in FY 2013.

3.   Please refer to 78 Fed Reg. 69553, 69555 (November 20, 2013), which states: "[o]nce final systems implementation is completed. . . . Premium Forwarding Service Commercial. . . will replace" commercial Priority Mail Express Reshipment and Priority Mail Reshipment service.

      a.   Please indicate where in the Mail Classification Schedule prices and descriptions of Priority Mail and Priority Mail Express Reshipment Services are provided.

      b.   Please provide a description of the Priority Mail and Priority Mail Express Reshipment Services that the Postal Service presently provides.

      c.   Please provide the rates for Priority Mail and Priority Mail Express Reshipment Services.

      d.   Please describe any additional changes to the Mail Classification Schedule the Postal Service intends to propose prior to implementing Premium Forwarding Service Commercial and discontinuing Priority Mail and Priority Mail Express Reshipment Services.

      e.   Please explain what "final systems implementation" entails.

RESPONSE:

a.   Reshipment service was not described in the Mail Classification Schedule because it did not have separate prices or enrollment fees. Prices are the same as the applicable Priority Mail and Priority Mail Express prices based on weight and zone.

b.   Please see DMM §§ 505.3.7 and 507.7.6.1.

c.   The Enrollment Fee is $16.00. As discussed in response to (a), appropriate weight/zone prices for Priority Mail and Priority Mail Express are applicable as well.

d.   The Postal Service has no other proposed Mail Classification Schedule changes at this time.

e.   Customers will eventually be required to sign up for the service through Business

Customer Gateway and choose payment through either CAPS Trust Account or USPS

Corporate Account (Priority Mail Express only), and the frequency in which they would

like items reshipped. Customers will also select their preferred method of

communication on the status of shipments, either e-mail or text message.

5.   Refer to Governors' Decision No. 13-02, at page 6, where it states that "the Customer Clearance and Delivery Fee will increase 9.1 percent." Please identify in the non-public annex where the calculated price change for the Customs Clearance and Delivery Fee can be found. If the calculated price change is not found in the non-public annex, please provide it.

RESPONSE:

The calculation of the price change for Customs Clearance and Delivery Fee can be

found in the "Intl Spec Serv Calc_CHIR3.xls" file that the Postal Service is including with

this response. "Intl Spec Serv Calc_CHIR3.xls" is a revised version of "Intl Spec Serv

Calc.xls" that the Postal Service included in the non-public annex of the Postal Service's

initial filing in this docket.

6.   Please refer to Governors' Decision No. 13-02, and the Attachment, thereto, at Part B: Competitive Products, containing the draft text of the Mail Classification Schedule.

   a.   Please refer to Section 2315.2, Size and Weight Limitations, which consists of a table showing the size and weight limitations applicable to Outbound Priority Mail International. A superscript 2 follows the section heading. However, note 2 to the table is deleted. Please clarify.

   b.   Please refer to Section 2315.7, Prices, which consists of a table with the heading, Priority Mail International Flat Rate Retail Prices. It appears that following the table heading, a new superscript 1 is being added. However, note 1 to the table is deleted. Please clarify.

RESPONSE:

a.   The superscript 2 following the section heading in Section 2315.2 Size and Weight Limitations for Outbound Priority Mail International, in the draft text of the Mail Classification Schedule included in the Postal Service's initial filing in this docket, should be stricken through, because the text of note 2 to this table is stricken through.

b.   The superscript 1following the heading for the table in Section 2315.7 that has the title Priority Mail International Flat Rate Retail Prices, in the draft text of the Mail Classification Schedule included in the Postal Service's initial filing in this docket, should be stricken through, because the text of note 1 to this table is stricken through.